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Notice of Allowability**Application No.**

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All claims being allowable, PROSECUTION ON THE MERITS IS (OR REMAINS) CLOSED in this application. If not included herewith (or previously mailed), a Notice of Allowance (PTOL-85) or other appropriate communication will be mailed in due course. **THIS NOTICE OF ALLOWABILITY IS NOT A GRANT OF PATENT RIGHTS.** This application is subject to withdrawal from issue at the initiative of the Office or upon petition by the applicant. See 37 CFR 1.313 and MPEP 1308.

1. ☒ This communication is responsive to the amendment filed September 30, 2010.
2. ☒ The allowed claim(s) is/are 1,3-13 and 15-17.
3. ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some* c) ☐ None of the:
1. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
2. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
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6. ☐ DEPOSIT OF and/or INFORMATION about the deposit of BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL must be submitted. Note the attached Examiner's comment regarding REQUIREMENT FOR THE DEPOSIT OF BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL.

Attachment(s)

1. ☐ Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)
2. ☐ Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)
3. ☐ Information Disclosure Statements (PTO/SB/08),
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4. ☐ Examiner's Comment Regarding Requirement for Deposit of Biological Material
5. ☐ Notice of Informal Patent Application
6. ☐ Interview Summary (PTO-413),
Paper No./Mail Date _____
7. ☒ Examiner's Amendment/Comment
8. ☒ Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance
9. ☐ Other _____.

DETAILED ACTION

Response to Amendment

1. The amendment to the claims filed September 30, 2010 is acknowledged by examiner and has been entered. Claims 1, 6 and 13 have been amended and claims 2 and 14 are cancelled.

Response to Arguments

2. Applicant's arguments, filed September 30, 2010, with respect to claims 1-5 and 12-17 have been fully considered and are persuasive in view of the amendment and filed arguments. Therefore, the rejection of claims 1-5 and 12-17 has been withdrawn and the request for rejoinder of claims 6-11 has been granted.

Examiner's Amendment

3. An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it MUST be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with Aya Suzuki on October 25, 2010.

The application has been amended as follows:

In the CLAIMS:

Claim 6 , line 5, after the phrase “fibers of step a), such that the coating contains 0.002 to 0.009”, and before the word “of”,
the phrase “percent by weight”—has been inserted.

Allowable Subject Matter

4. Claims 1, 3-13, and 15-17 are allowed.
5. The following is an examiner’s statement of reasons for allowance: Yoshimura et al. (US 5,641,572), Shue et al. (US 4,489,129) and Harris (US 4,910,289) have been determined to be the closest prior art of record.

As to independent claims 1, 6 and 13, the above prior art fails to teach or suggest a composite material, method of producing a composite material or coated reinforcing fibers wherein a proportion of polyphenylene sulfide relative to the reinforcing fibers is 0.002 to 0.009 percent by weight as recited by applicant. Additionally, applicant has shown criticality of the claimed range. Claims 3-5, 7-12 and 14-17 are dependent on claims 1, 6, and 13, therefore they also contain allowable subject matter.

Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled “Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance.”

Conclusion

6. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to ALTREV C. SYKES whose telephone number is (571)270-3162. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday-Thursday, 8AM-5PM EST, alt Friday.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Angela Ortiz can be reached on 571-272-1206. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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10/18/10

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